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Ms. Lauren Budnick Reports Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission Washington, D.C.

Re:

Craig for U.S. Senate

Mid-Year Report (01/01/01-06/30/01)

Dear Ms. Budnick:

In response to the letter of December 27, 2001 enclosing a copy of a letter dated October 16, 2001, please be advised that an amendment to the Craig for U. S. Senate Mid-Year Report (01/01/01-06/30/01) is being filed with the Secretary of the Senate no later than January 16, 2002. This amendment is a filing of Schedule B of the Mid-Year report that addresses all of the issues raised in the October 16, 2001 letter.

The purpose of this letter is to explain why our response was late and to explain the nature of our response to the issues that you raise.

First, we did not receive the October 16, 2001 letter. I believe that this was due to the anthrax scare in Washington, D.C. at or near that time. When the December 27, 2001 letter was received, we immediately set about preparing the necessary amendment, including contacting you with some questions regarding the issues raised in the October 16, 2001 letter.

Turning to the issues raised in the October 16, 2001 letter, the amendment now contains the complete address and purpose for each disbursement. The descriptions that did not meet the requirements of the Regulations have been corrected.

With regard to the credit card payments, please be advised that all payments to original vendors that aggregated in excess of \$200 in this election cycle were itemized in memo entries in the original report so that no amendment was needed.

With regard to payments to individual for transactions other than travel, meals and lodging, please be advised that we have corrected the descriptions to make clear the items for which the payments were made. For example, with regard to long-distance phone calls, these were calls from several bills to several vendors, regular telephone and cellular, and with regard to office supplies, these were to several vendors at different times. All receipts have been kept for these items. Since the purpose for the payments is clearly set forth and the amounts are not large, we believe it is burdensome and not within the requirements of the Regulations to provide memo entries regarding these items.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments regarding the amendment or this letter. I can be reached at (208) 395-6302.

Kaye L. O'Riordan

Treasurer

Sincerely.

Craig for U.S. Senate